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1. UK COUNSELOR WILBERFORCE CALLED ACDA NOVEMBER 16 TO SAY THAT LONDON HAD INSTRUCTED ITS EMBASSY IN BONN TO INFORM FRG FOREIGN OFFICE OF QUESTIONS SYKES HAD RAISED IN WASHINGTON (REFTEL), AND TO INQUIRE WHETHER THESE QUESTIONS ALSO COVERED GERMAN CONCERNS. HE WONDERED WHETHER SOME RESPONSE TO UK QUESTIONS WOULD BE FORTHCOMING SOON AND WHETHER IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO MEET SOON ON THEM, IF ONLY IN AN INFORMAL WAY. HE ADDED THAT UK EMBASSY IN BONN HAD BEEN ASKED TO CONVEY SOME SENSE OF URGENCY TO THE GERMANS. HE WAS TOLD THAT BRITISH QUESTIONS HAD BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO INTERESTED AGENCIES IN USG; THAT QUESTIONS WERE UNDER STUDY, THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO ESTABLISH DATE FOR MEETING WITH UK AND GERMANS UNTIL WE HAD SOME SENSE OF THE QUESTIONS FRG WOULD PROPOSE; AND THAT CURRENT THINKING IN SECRET

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WASHINGTON FAVORS INFORMAL REVIEW INITIALLY, OF ISSUES

UK AND GERMANS WOULD RAISE.

2. WILBERFORCE ADDED THAT RATHER ELABORATE IDEAS IN UK
SPEAKING NOTE ABOUT EARLY NATO CONSIDERATION HAD NOT BEEN
WELCOMED BY UK MISSION TO NATO AND MIGHT THEREFORE NEED TO
BE REVIEWED. KISSINGER

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